

IONIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Committee-of-the-Whole
May 15, 2012
4:00 p.m.

The Chair called the meeting to order and led with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Mason, Vroman, Tiejema, Banks, Calley and Shattuck
Members absent: Lower

Others present: Lisa McCafferty, Stacy Moore, Sharon Carlson, Cory Anderson, Deb Thalison, Karen Bota, John Herald, Don Ransom, Gary VanNorman, Deb McPeek-McFadden, Bob Lathers, Bob Sheehan, Jim Valentine, Jeff Radike, Don Sult, Stephanie Hurlbut and Janae Cooper

Approval of Agenda

A. Consideration of additional items

Moved by Tiejema, supported by Banks, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by voice vote.

There was no Public Comment.

New Business

A. Bob Lathers and Deb McPeek-McFadden, both of Ionia Community Mental Health, presented the 2012 Annual Report for Community Mental Health and discussed the program at length. A copy of the 2012 Annual Report is on file in the Clerk's Office.

B. Gary VanNorman, Executive Director of Mid South Substance Abuse Commission and Bob Sheehan, Director of CEI Community Mental Health gave a presentation on the Mid-South Substance Abuse Commission. At 5:10 p.m. Chair Shattuck opened up the meeting for questions to be addressed to VanNorman and Sheehan. Deb Thalison and Commissioner Mason commented on the Commission as well.

C. Departmental Reports

1. Central Dispatch - Central Dispatch Director, Jim Valentine, gave an update on Central Dispatch, discussing the progress of the new trainees, an upcoming project to reprogram the fire department equipment and that Central Dispatch has adopted a Resolution regarding a Local 911 Call Center.
2. Treasurer's Office - In the absence of the County Treasurer, Nancy Hickey, Hurlbut informed the Board that a written report is included in the board packet.

3. Friend of the Court - Jeff Radike, Assistant Friend of the Court, gave a presentation recapping the 2010/2011 Friend of the Court Budget and answered questions from the Board.
4. Maintenance - Don Ransom, Physical Plant Director, updated the Board on several pending projects that will be worked on throughout the summer and into the early fall.
5. Building Department - Don Sult, Building Codes Inspector, distributed a handout of the First Quarter Report. Sult reported that permits are up. Sult gave a brief update on the status of wind farms in Ionia County. He indicated that they will not happen this year, but possibly in 2013. A copy of the Building Codes report is on file in the Clerk's Office.

Chairperson's Report

1. Chair Shattuck briefly stated that he attended a Workman's Comp meeting and that changes are forthcoming.

Other Reports

Commissioner Banks briefly updated the Board on the Pension Advisory Committee. The Committee will be meeting on June 14th to discuss possible recommendations regarding the plans (MERS vs. the current plan).

Karen Bota was introduced as the new reporter for the Sentinel-Standard.

Moved by Banks, supported by Vroman, to adjourn the meeting at 6:19 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

Jack Shattuck, Chair

Janae Cooper, Chief Deputy Clerk